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● GUARDIAN IS SPLIT BY FEUD, MAY FOLD: A group of Guardian staffers, helped by some ex-staffers, seized control of the office and equipment of that leftist newspaper two weeks ago, and the remnants of the old ownership collective is putting out the weekly on a shoestring, writing in their own apartments and even at their new printer's. The insurgents charge the owner collective had been exploiting them. The owners, led by Irving Beinen, claim they are the real Marxist-Leninists, the true revolutionaries, and that the usurpers are a bunch of anarchists (and some of them have joined the moribund Industrial Workers of the World). They also report a new crucial financial crisis. Beinen reports excitedly that "there are rumors that the Guardian's mailing list has been stolen." Deprived of half its staff, the Guardian will now lean heavily on straight Communist sources: the news agencies of Communist China, North Vietnam, Cuba, and North Korea. Gone are the talents of Stanley Aronowitz, Greg Calvert, Phil Hutchings, Mike Klare, Lee Webb (and Randy Furst, who became a Trotskyist and was booted for that) and the mysterious NACLA, the North American Congress on Latin America, a shadowy leftist intelligence group.